

Sunday of the Myrrh Bearing Women

∴THE MYRRHBEARERS∴



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Tropar and Kondaks

The noble Joseph took down Your most pure body from the cross, wrapped it in a clean shroud, and, with fragrant spices, laid it in burial in a new tomb. But You arose in three days, O Lord, bestowing great mercy upon the world.

The Angel stood by the tomb and cried out to the women bringing ointment: "Ointments are for the dead, but Christ has shown Himself not subject to corruption. So now cry out: 'The Lord has risen, bestowing great mercy upon the world.'"

When You descended to death, O Immortal Life, You destroyed the Abyss by the radiance of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the depths of the earth all heavenly powers cried out: "O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You."

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

By Your resurrection, O Christ our God, You told the women bringing ointment to rejoice, and You stilled the weeping of Eve, the first mother. You instructed the women to announce to Your apostles: "The Savior has risen from the tomb."

Now and ever and forever. Amen.

Although You descended into the grave, O Immortal One, You destroyed the power of Death. You arose again as a Victor, O Christ God. You announced to the women bearing ointment: "Rejoice." You gave peace to Your apostles and resurrection to the fallen.

PROKIMEN:

Save Your people, O Lord,
and bless Your inheritance.
To You, O Lord, I call /
My God, be not deaf to me.

EPISTLE: Acts [§16] 6:1-7.

ALLELUIA VERSES:

Lord, You once favored Your land/ and revived the fortunes of Jacob
Mercy and faithfulness have met;/ justice and peace have embraced.

GOSPEL: Mark [§69]15:43-16:8.

HYMN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

The Angel exclaimed to her, full of grace: "Rejoice, O pure Virgin, again I say, rejoice." Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day and has raised the dead. Let all nations rejoice.

Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you, O Sion. Sing with joy and rejoice. And you, pure Mother of God, rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Receive the Body of Christ. Drink the source of immortality.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Instead of “Blessed is He Who comes...” we sing:
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Instead of “We have seen the true light...” we sing:
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**Instead of “May our mouths be filled...”
we sing *three* times:**
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**Instead of “Blessed be the name of the Lord...”
we sing *three* times:**
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**At the dismissal, instead of “Glory be to the Father... and
ever. Amen.” we sing:**
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**After the final Amen, the priest, with cross raised on high,
exclaims “Christ is risen” thrice and we respond “Indeed, He
is risen” each time. Then, the Troparion “Christ is risen” is
sung as at the beginning of the Liturgy, but with the addition:**

And to us he has granted life eternal;/
we worship His third-day resurrection.